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SUBJECT: PROPOSED FMS SALE OF SHORE BASE MATERIEL TO SA

REF: STATE 072947

1. RE PARAS 3.A. AND 5 REFTTEL, CONGRESS WAS PROVIDED FORMAL CERTIFICATION ON MAY 6 REGARDING PROPOSED LETTER OF OFFER FOR FMS SALE OF SHORE BASE MATERIEL TO SA. IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 36(B) OF THE ARMS EXPORT CONTROL ACT, AS AMENDED, THE QUOTE LETTER OF OFFER SHALL NOT BE ISSUED IF THE CONGRESS, WITHIN THIRTY CALENDAR DAYS AFTER RECEIVING SUCH NOTIFICATION, ADOPTS A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION STATING THAT IT OBJECTS TO THE PROPOSED SALE UNQUOTE.

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2. FOLLOWING ARE THE PERTINENT PARAGRAPHS OF AN UNCLASSIFIED POLICY JUSTIFICATION WHICH ACCOMPANIED THE CERTIFICATION TO CONGRESS: QUOTE THE PURCHASE OF THE MATERIAL LISTED IN THIS PROPOSED LETTER OF OFFER IS AN ESSENTIAL ELEMENT IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF SHORE-BASED COMMUNICATIONS AND OF A SHIP OVERHAUL CAPABILITY BY THE SAUDI ARABIAN GOVERNMENT.

THIS PROPOSED SALE, VALUED AT \$34.5 MILLION, WOULD PROVIDE THE SECOND INCREMENT IN THE STOCKAGE OF MATERIAL

AT THE SHIP REPAIR FACILITIES AT JIDDA AND JUBAIL FOR THE MAINTENANCE AND OVERHAUL OF PATROL AND HARBOR CRAFT PREVIOUSLY PURCHASED FROM THE UNITED STATES FOR THE SAUDI NAVY. THE INITIAL PURCHASE OF STOCKAGE (TOTALING \$26.4 MILLION) FOR THIS SHIP REPAIR FACILITY WAS MADE BY THE SAUDI GOVERNMENT IN 1974.

THE CONSTRUCTION OF FACILITIES AND THE PROCUREMENT OF SHIPS FOR THE SAUDI NAVY ARE BEING CARRIED OUT PURSUANT TO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING SIGNED BY THE UNITED STATES AND SAUDI ARABIAN GOVERNMENT IN JANUARY 1972. THE STOCKAGE LISTS, OF WHICH THIS PROPOSED LETTER OF OFFER IS A PART, ARE BEING DEVELOPED INCREMENTALLY AS SHIP DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS. THIS PROPOSED PROCUREMENT OF SHIP REPAIR PARTS WOULD NOT ALTER THE ARMS BALANCE IN THE AREA.

NO ADDITIONAL US CIVILIAN OR MILITARY PERSONNEL WILL BE REQUIRED IN SAUDI ARABIA AS A RESULT OF THIS PROPOSED SALE. UNQUOTE

3. AS APPROPRIATE, EMBASSY MAY INFORM HOST GOVERNMENT OF THIS CERTIFICATION TO THE CONGRESS.

4. EMBASSY WILL BE ADVISED IF ANY ACTION IS TAKEN BY UNCLASSIFIED

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CONGRESS WITHIN NEXT THIRTY DAYS OBJECTING TO THIS PROPOSED SALE. CHRISTOPHER

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